It was examined in all its aspects and public opinion was invited on the matter. Only after that were the rules modified. The present suggestion is to go back to the old rules. If we are going to change rules thus, it may lead to physical inconveniences in the office.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*): The member was suggesting that it is better to adhere to the new rules but at times we will have to change the rules if they do not work properly as in the case of the conversion of the Assistant Tahsildars into Revenue Supervisors.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): There is no difference as regards that matter between the member and myself.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*): May I know whether there is any objection in re-examining the question.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Certainly the member's suggestions will be referred to the Director of Registration and the whole question will be re-examined.

As regards the second suggestion I believe the interests of the people will be better served in leaving the work relating to the Pokkuvaravu cases in the hands of the Tahsildars and Taluk Head Accountants.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*): I withdraw the second portion of my motion. As regards the first portion I press the matter to a division.

PRESIDENT: I do not think there are any parts to the motion. The motion is to reduce Rs. 100. Which part of the Rs. 100 do you wish to be reduced?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): The object should not form part of the motion at all.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*): I press the whole matter to a division.

The motion was put to the vote and carried, 23 voting for and 16 against.

PRESIDENT: I put the total Demand VI-Registration-Rs. 3,34,513 less Rs.100 to the vote. I suppose the House grants the demand.

The motion was carried and the grant was made.

DEMAND VII.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION—

HEADS OTHER THAN ACCOUNT OFFICE.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): I make a demand for Rs. 2,04,859 under Demand VII-General Administration—Heads other than the Account Office.

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Motions 130 & 131.

The following motions were not moved;—

MR. A. THANU PILLAI:

130. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 54, 457 for Higher grade clerks by Rs. 550

MR. A. THANU PILLAI:

131. To omit the allotment of Rs. 2,795 for English Records.

Motion 132.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*) : എസ്റ്റാബ്ളിഷ്മെൻറ് വകയ്ക്കുള്ള ൨,൫൭,൦൫൦ രൂപായിൽനിന്ന് ൨൦ രൂപാ കുറയ്ക്കണം എന്നാണ് എൻെറ ഉപക്ഷേപം.

ഇതു ഹജൂർകച്ചേരിയിലെ പൊതുഭരണനയത്തെപറ്റി വിമർശിക്കുവാനാണ് ഞാൻ കൊണ്ടുവന്നിട്ടുള്ളതു്. ഹജൂർ വകുപ്പാണല്ലൊ രാജ്യത്തിലെ എല്ലാവകുപ്പുകളുടേയും കേന്ദ്രമായിട്ടുള്ളതു്. എല്ലാ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറുകളും ഈ ഹജൂർ വകുപ്പിൻെറ ആകർഷണത്തിൽപെട്ടു് അതിൻെറ ഹിതാനുസരണം കറങ്ങിക്കൊണ്ടിരിക്കയാണ് ചെയ്യുന്നതു്. അവിടെനിന്നുമാണ് ഭരണസംബന്ധമായുള്ള സകലകാര്യങ്ങളും ആജ്ഞ കൊടുത്തു നടത്തിവരുന്നതു്. ആ ആജ്ഞകൾക്കു വിപരീതമായൊ, ജനക്ഷേമത്തിനു ഹാനികരമായൊ പ്രവൃത്തിക്കുന്നവരെ ശരിപ്പെടുത്തിക്കൊണ്ടിരിക്കേണ്ടതും ഹജൂർവകുപ്പാണല്ലൊ. ഇപ്പോൾ പബ്ലിക്ക് സർവീസുകൊണ്ടു് ജനങ്ങൾക്കു് ഏതെങ്കിലും തരത്തിൽ കഷ്ടതയൊ ബുദ്ധിമുട്ടൊ ഉണ്ടാകുന്നുവെങ്കിൽ അതിനു് ന്യായമായ ഉത്തരവാദി ഹജൂർവകുപ്പാണു്, ഈ വകുപ്പിൽ വന്നിച്ചു ശമ്പളം വാങ്ങുന്ന പല ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരുണ്ടെങ്കിലും പബ്ലിക്കുസർവീസിൻെറ പൊതുവായ കാര്യക്ഷമതയ്ക്കുതകുന്നതരത്തിലല്ല അതിൻെറ പ്രവർത്തികളെന്നു് പരക്കെ ജനങ്ങളുടെ ഇടയിൽ അഭിപ്രായമുണ്ടു്. ജനങ്ങളുടെ ഓരോവിധത്തിലുള്ള സങ്കടങ്ങൾ ഓരോഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറുവഴി ഹജൂരിൽ വരുമ്പോൾ അതിനു് ഓരോ നിറംമാറലുകളും തകിടംമറിച്ചിലുകളും ഉണ്ടാകുക സാധാരണയാണു്. എത്രതന്നെ വിദഗ്ധനായ ഒരു ദിവാൻജിയായിരുന്നാൽക്കൂടിയും എല്ലാകടലാസുകളും സ്വയം നോക്കി ശരിപ്പെടുത്തുവാൻ സാധിക്കുന്നതല്ലതന്നെ. ഹജൂരിലെ ഓരോ വകുപ്പുകളിലെ സിക്രിട്ടറിമാരുംക്ലാർക്കന്മാരും എഴുതുന്ന അഭിപ്രായങ്ങളെ വിശ്വസിച്ചു് ദിവാൻജി പ്രവൃത്തിക്കേണ്ടിവരുന്നു. അവിടെയാണു് ഈ നിറം മാറലുകൾ സാധാരണയായി ഉണ്ടാകാറുള്ളതു്. അവർക്കിഷ്ടമുള്ള ജനങ്ങളുടെ കാര്യങ്ങളും അവർക്കിഷ്ടമുള്ള മറുകാര്യങ്ങളും അവരുടെ ഇഷ്ടംപോലെപ്രവൃത്തിക്കുകയും മറുള്ളവയുടെ കടലാസുകൾ കാണുമ്പോൾ ചിലപ്പോൾ അവയെതാഴെതള്ളുകയുമാണു് ചെയ്യുവരുന്നതു്. ഗുണകരമായ വശത്തെ മറച്ചു് ദോഷമായിട്ടുള്ള വശത്തെ വികസിപ്പിച്ചു് ജന

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ങ്ങൾക്ക സങ്കടത്തെ ഉണ്ടാക്കിതീർക്കുന്നതിന അവക്ക പ്രയാസമില്ല. എല്ലാറിനും രണ്ട വശം കാണുമല്ലോ, അതുകൊണ്ടുചില ആപത്തുകളും ഈരാജ്യത്തിനുണ്ടാകുന്നുണ്ട്. അതിനാൽ സിക്രട്ടറിയേറിൽ പബ്ലിക്ക് വർക്സ് മുതലായ എല്ലാ വകുപ്പിലേയും സിക്രട്ടറിമാരെ അങ്ങോട്ടും ഇങ്ങോട്ടുംഒന്നുമാറുകയും, ക്ലാക്കന്മാരേയും ഓരോ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലേയ്ക്കും അയയ്ക്കുകയും, അവിടെ നിന്നും യോഗ്യന്മാരായ ആളുകളെ പകരം സ്വീകരിയ്ക്കുകയും ചെയ്യണം. അതുകൊണ്ടു ജനങ്ങൾക്ക വളരെ ഗുണം സിദ്ധിയ്ക്കും. അല്ലെങ്കിൽ ഈ സെക്രട്ടറിയേറു മുഖാന്തിരം പല കഴപ്പുങ്ങളും ഉണ്ടാകുവാനിടയുണ്ട്.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*) : ചീഫ്സിക്രട്ടറിയെ ക്കൂടിമാറുന്നതിൽവിഷമമുണ്ടോ?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): ഇല്ല, ഗവണ്മെൻറുഭാഗത്തിൽ നിന്നും വലിയ വിഷമമാണെന്നു പറഞ്ഞാൽ മാറിയേ കഴികയുള്ളൂ എന്ന് എനിക്കു നിർബന്ധമില്ലാ.

MR. MURUVELIL PACHU PILLAI (*Shertaliai*): ക്ലാക്കന്മാർ ഇപ്പോൾ ഇരിക്കുന്ന സ്ഥലത്തിൻെറ ദൃഷ്ട്യാകൊണ്ടാണോ അവരുടെ മനസ്ഥിതി മാറുന്നതു?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): ഹജൂർകച്ചേരിയിൽ അവരുടെ ഇരിപ്പു നല്ലസ്ഥാനത്താണു. ശുദ്ധവായുവും വെളിച്ചവും ഒക്കെ നല്ലപോലെകിട്ടും (ചിരി).

MR. MURUVELIL PACHU PILLAI (*Shertal'ai*): മറുസ്ഥലങ്ങളിലേക്ക് അയയ്ക്കുന്നതു കൊണ്ട് അവരുടെ മനസ്ഥതിക്കു ഗുണകരമായ മാറ്റമുണ്ടാകുമോ?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): എന്നല്ലാപറയുന്നതു. എല്ലാഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലും ഉള്ള ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരേയും അങ്ങോട്ടും ഇങ്ങോട്ടും മാറുമ്പോൾ അവക്ക ഒരിടത്തുതന്നെയിരിക്കുന്നതുപോലെ ഉപദ്രവിക്കാൻ കഴികയില്ല. ഹജൂരിലും ഇതുമാതിരിയുള്ള നിറം മാറലുകാം ചെയ്യുവാനും സാധിക്കുകയില്ല. മൂന്നുകൊല്ലം കഴിയുമ്പോഴെങ്കിലും മാറ്റങ്ങാം ചെയ്തേതീരു. ഒരേസ്ഥലത്തിലിരിക്കുന്നതിനാലാണ് പല അഴിമതികളും അക്രമങ്ങളുംജനങ്ങൾക്ക ഉപദ്രവവും ചെയ്യുവാനിടയാകുന്നതു. ഹജൂർകച്ചേരിയിൽനിന്നുമാണ് ജനക്ഷേമത്തിനുതകുന്നതായ സകല സംഗതികളും നടത്തേണ്ടതു്. അങ്ങനെ ഗവണ്മെൻറു ഏറെക്കുറെ ചെയ്യുന്നുണ്ടെങ്കിലുംബഡ്ജറ്റ് പൊതു

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വിമർശനത്തിൽ ഞാൻപ്രസ്താപിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളതുപോലെ ഉൾനാട്ടുകളിലെ ജനങ്ങളുടെഇടയിൽ ഗവണ്മെൻറിൻെറ ദൃഷ്ടിപതിപ്പിക്കുന്നില്ലാ. ഹജൂർവകുപ്പാണല്ലൊ രാഷ്ട്രീയ ശരീരത്തിൻെറ പ്രധാനസ്ഥാനം. ഹൃദയത്തിൽ നിന്നും രക്തം എല്ലാസ്ഥലത്തേക്കും വ്യാപിക്കുന്നതുപോലെ എല്ലാസ്ഥലത്തെയും ജനങ്ങളുടെ ആവശ്യമനുസരിച്ച, ധനം വിനിയോഗിക്കുന്നതിനും മറ്റു നടപടികൾ നടത്തുന്നതിനും ഹജൂരിൽ നിന്നശ്രദ്ധിക്കണം. തലസ്ഥാന നഗരിയിലോ, ചില വർഗ്ഗങ്ങളിലൊ മാത്രം ഗവണ്മെൻറിൻെറ ശ്രദ്ധ പതിച്ചാൽ പോരാ- രാജ്യത്തിൻെറ എല്ലാഭാഗങ്ങളിലും, എല്ലാസമുദായങ്ങളിലും കൂടി ഗവൺമെൻറിൻെറ ശ്രദ്ധ വേണ്ടപോലെ ഉണ്ടായിരിക്കേണ്ടതാണ്.

ഉൾനാട്ടിലെകാര്യങ്ങളിൽ അജാഗ്രതഉണ്ടാകുന്നപക്ഷം ജനങ്ങൾക്ക് വളരെ സങ്കടമുണ്ടാകും. ഇപ്പോഴും ഉൾനാട്ടിലെജനങ്ങൾ ബുദ്ധിമുട്ടും സങ്കടവും അനുഭവിച്ചുകൊണ്ടിരിയ്ക്കുകയാണ്. അവരുടെസങ്കടങ്ങൾ എല്ലാം ഇവിടെപറഞ്ഞിട്ടും അതു് ഒരു വനരോദനമായിട്ട് തീരുന്നതല്ലാതെ ഒരു പ്രയോജനവും ഉണ്ടാകുന്നില്ല. കൈക്കൂലി മുതലായഅക്രമങ്ങൾ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരുടെ ഇടയിലുണ്ടെന്നേ പറയുന്നതിൽ യാതൊരാക്ഷേപവുമില്ല. അവരെ നിയന്ത്രിച്ചു ക്രമപ്പെടുത്തികൊണ്ട്പോകേണ്ടതും ഹജൂരിൽനിന്നാണ്. ഇതുപോലെയുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങൾ ഗവണ്മെൻറിൻെറ ശ്രദ്ധയിൽ കൊണ്ടുവരുവാനാണ് ഞാൻ ഈ ഉപക്ഷേപം ഇവിടെ അവതരിപ്പിച്ചതു്. ഇതിൽ ഗവണ്മെൻറു വേണ്ടപോലെ ശ്രദ്ധപതിപ്പിയ്ക്കേണ്ടതാണെന്നു് ഒന്നുകൂടി പ്രസ്താപിച്ചു കൊണ്ടു ഞാൻ വിരമിച്ചുകൊള്ളുന്നു

MR. MATTHEW MURIKKAN (*Vaikam*): I have very great pleasure in supporting the motion brought forward by Mr. Tariatu Kunjitomman. He has very ably pointed out that there are various sorts of troubles in the working of the general administration. The Secretariat is the seat of the whole Government and it is from there that orders are communicated to several departmental offices. I wish to call the attention of the Government only to three important points. The first question is as regards the circuit work performed by various departmental heads. The various officers that go on circuit do not pay much attention to the needs of the people of the locality. In the first place, they must intimate their arrival to the Tahsildar of the locality who will afford every convenience to the petitioners to represent their grievances. This system if adopted will be of immense help to the people at large.

MR. K. N. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*): Is the member speaking of the Secretariat officers on circuit?

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MR. MATTHEW MURIKKAN (*Vaikam*): No. Officers of the Secretariat may be able to direct other heads of departments with regard to their tour programme. They can influence them by giving instructions to adopt some definite policy. It is in that connection I am referring about the circuit programme.

PRESIDENT: Officers of the Secretariat cannot influence the departmental heads.

MR. MATTHEW MURIKKAN (*Vaikam*): With regard to the disposal of petitions I have to submit one word. Several petitions are delayed unnecessarily. No endorsement is given on the petitions received. This system causes inconvenience to persons living in mofussil places When people have to send petitions they have to affix at least half-rupee stamps and in certain cases even two—rupee stamps. If a vakil files a vakalath he is not given an endorsement. This practice is very bad. The third point I want to press to the attention of Government is with regard to transfer of clerks from one section to another. This is highly necessary and as Mr. Kunjitomman said these transfers will exert a healthy influence on the administrative efficiency. If a certain officer remains for a long time in a particular section he will think that he knows all and that he has become the master of the situation. As a matter of fact, just the contrary is the result. He is slack in his work. On the other hand, if he is transferred from one section to the other he will take pains to study work and thereby efficiency will be strengthened. With these few words I support the motion.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): I support Mr. Kunjitomman's motion. I wish merely to refer to one or two features of the administration that seem to require consideration. A certain amount of slackness is discernible in the whole administrative machinery. It is very well-known that in some of the departments of the State the work is not carried on as promptly as it should be. I may refer, for instance, the department of Education. It is a well-known fact, that several of the schools in the State under departmental control, are without permanent headmasters. If it were an accidental circumstance and if this condition of things has existed only for a short period, one can understand that nobody is to be blamed. But it is seen from the reports published by the department that several of these High Schools have been without permanent headmasters for several years. I do not know what the reason is. Again in these institutions, several first grade teacherships are vacant. There are no permanent men in those places. There was some sort of agitation recently in regard to the results in the School Final Examination. A public meeting was held in Trivandrum and some resolutions were submitted to the Government and permission was asked for a deputation to wait on the Dewan. A reply was received that there was no occasion for a deputation. What I emphasise is the fact that, there may be some connection between the poor results in the examination and the indifference of the authorities in the matter of properly staffing these institutions. It may be said, that a temporary headmaster may do as much good work as a permanent

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one. That is a position which cannot be easily accepted. Security of tenure is certainly one of the inducements to efficient work. I was really surprised to find that these places should have been kept vacant for several years. One is tempted to ask, who is responsible for this state of affairs. If it is due to the negligence of the Director, what are the Government doing? Why should things be allowed to drift in this fashion?

Then I may refer to one other tendency of the administration which also is not conducive to the work being done in the proper way. I refer to the system of creating temporary places and putting men there expecting that they would do their work properly. For instance the High Court has had two temporary Judges consecutively for several years. What I mean to say is, that, considering human nature these officers cannot be expected to do their work properly so long as they are temporary. Not only in the case of High Court Judges but also in the case of other appointments in the State which are allowed to be temporary for several years, this state of affairs exists. A man occupying a temporary place would naturally be careful to see that the place continues. This is one aspect of the matter that the Government should consider. We have been hearing a good deal of Laws Delays and the necessity for a committee of enquiry. I doubt whether proper work is got out of the officers in the judicial department. Statistics would show that the courts are not, after all, doing as much work as they ought to. In many of the courts the quantity of work done is diminishing.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): May I know whether such a state of affairs exists in temporary courts or permanent courts?

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): In some temporary and permanent courts.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): Is this not also due to the method of recruitment?

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): That certainly follows. When we talk of arrears in offices and work not being done properly, certainly we have to say that it is due to the method of recruitment as well. If proper men are recruited, efficient work will be done.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): May I know what the member means by "proper men'?

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): I do not mean to say that the existing officers are not efficient. A good deal depends on the kind of recruitment adopted as well. If the Government do not follow a settled policy in this matter there will be arrears of work.

PRESIDENT: Your time is up.

MR. G. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): I also support the motion. There is a general complaint that the work in the Secretariat is not being done properly. Something is wrong somewhere. I

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make special reference to the delay as regards the appointment of officers.

I understand that a second Judge has not yet been appointed at Alleppey and it is more than a month since the post fell vacant. There was no Divisional First Class Magistrate at Quilon for about a month and somewhere in 1102 the second Judge's Court at Quilon had to be closed for two months, for no Judge was appointed. Even now there is no Commissioner of Police. Every Department should be self-contained, as far as possible, for the maintenance of discipline and work in the Department. In addition to what Mr. Thanu Pillai has referred to I want to bring these facts also to the special notice of this House.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Sir, the first point urged by Mr. Kunjitomman is about the way in which the Secretariat officers are doing their work. In regard to this I have to submit, with due respect to the member and this House, that the remarks made by him are strong and undeserved. He spoke as if he had inside knowledge of the way in which the Secretariat officers are doing their work, how they put up their notes and other things.

MR. MATTHEW MURIKKAN (*Vaikam*): May I point out that the people at large know the results of these notes?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): The deciding authority is not the Secretariat officers against whom these remarks were made by Mr. Kunjitomman. In the case of departments outside the Secretariat, if there is any irregularity, the matter may take a long time to come to the notice of Government through the people and it is the Dewan who disposes of it.

MR. MATTHEW MURIKKAN (*Vaikam*): May I know who the head of the Secretariat is?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): The Dewan.

MR. MATTHEW MURIKKAN (*Vaikam*): Has he not got influence over the Heads of Departments?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): He has authority, not influence.

MR. MATTHEW MURIKKAN (*Vaikam*): Influence arises from authority?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): I will not allow that word 'influence'. Authority, he has got.

MR. MATTHEW MURIKKAN (*Vaikam*): May I know whether he has got authority?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes, he has. What I was going to say was that if there was any irregularity outside the Secretariat, complaints have slowly to travel up to the Dewan. And the Dewan peruses the notes etc., put up in the office, on

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such complaints and some may not reach him at all. But in the case of work of the Secretariat officers there is this exceptional advantage, *viz.*, that every line of their draft, anything they write, goes directly to the Dewan before he passes orders.

MR. MATTHEW MURIKKAN (*Vaikam*) : Does the member think that the Dewan will be able to exercise some authority over the circuit programme of the Heads of Departments ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): I am speaking about the Secretariat officers.

MR. MATTHEW MURIKKAN (*Vaikam*) : Does the member know that the Head of the Secretariat can exercise authority over the Heads of the Departments in their circuit programme ?

PRESIDENT : He does.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : What I was saying was that every paper of any importance that the Secretariat officers deal with goes to the Dewan and he sees it, so that if the charge which Mr. Kunjitomman laid at their doors is really sustainable, these officers would not have remained in their places in the Secretariat and would have long ago left the Secretariat.

MR. MATTHEW MURIKKAN (*Vaikam*): Does he know that Mr. Kunjitomman was only complaining ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): There is nothing for any complaint at all. That is a charge and a serious charge. The Dewan is daily scrutinizing their work himself, so that no report from outside is necessary in the case of Secretariat officers. There is that advantage for the Secretariat officers and I am glad of it.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): May I know whether every paper whether important or not goes before the Dewan ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : Every paper of any importance goes to the Dewan. That is the only point which Mr. Kunjitomman dealt with. Mr. Matthew Murikkan has been saying that petitions presented to the Secretariat are not receiving proper disposal. In regard to this I may say in the first place that on an examination of all the petitions which come to the Secretariat, it is found that about 95 per cent of them are presented to the wrong place. They ought not to have been presented to the Dewan or the Chief Secretary. They ought to have gone to the local officers or those constituted under law.

MR. MATTHEW MURIKKAN (*Vaikam*) : May I know whether the Secretariat informs these petitioners that they are in the wrong.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : In some cases that is done.

MR. MATTHEW MURIKKAN (*Vaikam*): Do they do it in all cases ?

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MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): That depends upon the merits of the petitions. The Government are not bound to do so.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): Are not the petitions forwarded to the Heads of Departments and reports obtained.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Not in those cases in which they are presented to the wrong place. Such petitions are lodged in some cases. In all other cases action is taken on every one of the petitions and in the case of petitions presented under the law, records are called for, parties heard and due endorsements given to the parties or to the vakils if vakils are engaged.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Are there instances in which endorsements were given to the vakils without hearing them?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): That may be in cases in which the law does not require that the Vakil should be heard.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Is not the client taxed to put in the vakalath?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): That may be. We have laws for this purpose. Even in cases in which the Vakils need not be heard, the Dewan has been hearing them though there is no rule or law for that. In all cases in which the petitions are presented in the proper way, endorsements are, as a rule, given.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Is it the opinion of the member that hearing a Vakil will not in any way be useful?

PRESIDENT: It often happens that so far from being useful it is a hindrance.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Then why not prohibit it totally?

PRESIDENT: Unfortunately the law provides for it in some cases.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): In all cases in which petitions are presented to the proper authority endorsement is given to the parties. I believe it is followed everywhere. It is being done in the Secretariat also.

Mr. Thanu Pillai was referring to the general slackness and he illustrated it by saying that some of the Headmasters' posts are not filled up for some years. There is a cause and an adequate cause for it. It was enquired into. There were several complaints about the gradation of teachers—First Grade teachers and Second Grade teachers. The question was hanging fire, for several years.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): When did the complaint arise?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Long before the vacancies arose.

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MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): How long have these complaints been remaining undisposed of?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): It cannot be very long before the vacancies arose. Maybe about 3 years. These were examined in consultation with the Head of the department, that is the Director of Public Instruction, and the Account Officer, and there was a conference also in the matter.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Are there not educational institutions where the permanent Headmasterships have been vacant for 7 years?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Not so long as that. They may come at most to four years. Even that, just in one case or so. The reason was that this question was pending, and till then temporary arrangements were made to carry on the work of the institutions.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Will the member be pleased to tell the House why this question was pending for four years?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): That is what I am at. The gradation question, which was a very difficult one, had to be referred to the Director, and the Account Officer more than once. And after a conference the question had to be settled.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Are there not settled rules as to how the gradation should be fixed?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): There are some general rules. And they operated harshly in particular cases. Complaints arose and so that question had to be gone into.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Was there any violation of rules? The member says there was hardship.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): There was no violation of rules. It was an examination of their complaints with regard to the rules. A re-grading has been made and the Director has been asked to send up his recommendations for filling up the vacancies.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): May I know when this gradation of teachers began?

MR. T. P. RAMSUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): I cannot say that exactly.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): May I know the number of teachers whose gradation is in question and is causing difficulty?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): The whole list of First Grade and Second Grade teachers in the Civil List was under examination. All of them required transposition.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): With reference to the length of time that this gradation has been causing difficulty, I ask what was the number of teachers?

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MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): It affected all the teachers of the First and Second grades.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): I want to have an idea as to the number.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): The Civil List will show the number. Therefore it was that I referred to it. Anyhow the regraded lists are in the hands of the Director of Public Instruction, and he has stringent instructions to send up his recommendations to the Government.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): May I know how long this re-graded list has been in the possession of the Director?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): About three months. The First grade teachers' list was first taken up and finished. The Second grade list was taken up afterwards and done.

The next point mentioned by the member was about the results of the School Final Examination. As the member himself is aware, this matter attracted the attention of Government long before an application for allowing a deputation to wait upon the Dewan was received. The question had been examined and the Director had published the results; hence it was that the Government had to state that there was no need for any deputation to wait on him.

In regard to temporary posts, I may mention that these posts are made temporary, because Government believe that the causes are temporary and that only a temporary Judge or Magistrate or Munsiff is required for the time. Afterwards, as time goes on, Government will decide whether the men should continue acting or should be confirmed. It is not in every case that we have to confirm an officer automatically. In the case of the Judges of the High Court and in certain other cases of long term appointments, the question of making them permanent is before the Government now.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): How long have the High Court Judges been temporary?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): The member knows it much better than myself.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): May I know why four Tahsildars' places are vacant?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): I think there are only two which are permanently vacant and the question of filling them up is under consideration.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITCMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): രാജ്യത്തിന്റെ എല്ലാഭാഗങ്ങളിലേയ്ക്കും, എല്ലാവശ്ങ്ങളിലേക്കും എല്ലാഭരണവകുപ്പുകളിലേയ്ക്കും, ഹജ്ജൂരിൽനിന്നു വേണ്ടവിധത്തിലും സമഭാവനയോടേയും ശ്രദ്ധിയ്ക്കേണ്ടതാണെന്നും, ഹജ്ജൂർ വകുപ്പിൽ സിക്രട്ടറിയേറ്റിൽ സാധാരണനടന്നുകൊണ്ടിരിയ്ക്കുന്ന അഴിമതികളെ നിയ

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[Mr. Tariatu Kunjitomman.]

ന്തിയ്ക്കണമെന്നും ഓരോ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലെ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരേയും, ഹജൂരിലെ സിക്രട്ടറിമാരേയും നവഷ്ത്തിലൊരിയ്ക്കലെങ്കിലും സ്ഥലം മാറണമെന്നും പറയുന്നതിനാണ് ഞാൻ ഈ ഉപക്ഷേപംകൊണ്ടുവന്നിട്ടുള്ളത്. ഓരോസ്ഥലങ്ങളിലുംഉള്ള ജനങ്ങൾ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറുമുഖേനയും ഹജൂർമുഖേനയും പ്രതിനിധിസഭവഴിയായും റോഡുവേണം, പാലംവേണം, ആശുപത്രിവേണം എന്നെല്ലാം പറഞ്ഞുവരുന്നുണ്ട്. അതിനെല്ലാം ഗവണ്മെൻറു ഒരുവിധം അനുകൂലമായമറുപടിയും നൽകുന്നുണ്ട്. ഓരോ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറുകളിൽനിന്നും ഈ മാതിരിവരുന്ന അപേക്ഷകാം സിക്രട്ടറിയേറ്റിൽവരുമ്പോാം അതിനെ പാതരത്തിൽ കീഴ്മേൽ മറിച്ച് വേണ്ടപോലെ ചെയ്തുകൊടുക്കാതെ വിഷമിപ്പിയ്ക്കുന്നുണ്ടെന്നുള്ളതു ജനങ്ങളുടെ മുഖ്യമായ ആവലാധിയാണ്. അഴിമതിക്കാരുടെപേരിൽ പരാതിയുണ്ടായാൽ അതും സിക്രട്ടറിയേറ്റിൽവരുമ്പോാം നിറംമാറികളയും. ഈ വിഷയത്തിൽ ഗവണ്മെൻറിന്റെ ശ്രദ്ധപ്രത്യേകം പതിയേണ്ടതാണെന്നു പ്രസ്താവിച്ചുകൊണ്ട് ഞാൻ ഈ ഉപക്ഷേപത്തെ പിൻവലിച്ചുകൊള്ളുന്നു.

PRESIDENT: May I take it that the House permits the motion to be withdrawn.

The motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

The following motions were not moved :—

Motions 133 to 135.

MR. A. G. MENON :

133 To reduce the allotment of Rs. 1,62,089 for Huzur Cutcherry by Re. 1.

MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI :

134. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 1,62,089 for Huzur Cutcherry by Re. 1.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI :

135. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 1,62,089 for Huzur Cutcherry by Rs. 10.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : I am afraid my motion is not in order since a resolution has been ballotted in regard to the same subject.

The following motion was not therefore moved.

Motion *136*.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI :

136. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 1,62,089 for Huzur Cutcherry by Rs. 100.

Motion *137*.

MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*) : Sir, I beg to move the following motion :

To reduce the allotment of Rs. 3,000 for Honorarium to the Deputy President of the Legislative Council by Re. 1.

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In the Imperial and Provincial Legislative Councils the President and the Deputy President are elected by the whole Legislative body. In our Council, the President and the Deputy President are appointed by *our Government.*

PRESIDENT: Excuse me for one moment. What is the object you are trying to establish?

MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): Hitherto practice in this State has been to nominate the Deputy President from the nominated non-official body. I want to point out to the attention of the Government that Government can use their discretion in appointing a Deputy President from the elected members of the Legislative Council also. I want only to bring that to the attention of Government.

PRESIDENT: If you are going to discuss that question of the constitution of the Council, it is outside the scope of this Council.

MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): I do not want that. I only want to point out that Government may use their discretion in this direction also. There were two Councils in the past, and in those two Councils, this was the practice. In this Council also the same practice is continued. I wish to point out that hereafter the discretion can be used otherwise also. With these observations I beg to move the motion.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Sir, Mr. Kesava Pillai has been suggesting that the Government should exercise their discretion in a particular way in nominating the Deputy President of the Council. Government are not precluded from nominating any of the elected members as Deputy President, and I think that the member may take it that the Government will always consider not only nominated members but also elected members and appoint the best man fitted for the place.

MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): May I know whether best men are not available from elected members?

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): The judgment is on the part of Government and they will exercise it in every case. The Deputy President may be at one time a nominated member and at another time an elected member. No doubt, the Deputy President has been a nominated member till now, but the rules do not preclude Government from nominating any of the elected members. It depends upon the discretion and judgment of the Government.

MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): May I know whether they would give an opportunity to see whether the elected members are fit or not?

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): No assurance could be given. All that I would say is that the rules do not preclude. Government will exercise their judgment in a proper manner always.

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MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI (*Kottayam*): അഫിഷ്യൽമെമ്പറന്മാർക്ക്...

PRESIDENT: The member has resumed his seat.

MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): I withdraw the motion.

The motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

Motion 138.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): Sir, I beg to move the following motion:—

To reduce the allotment of Rs. 1,500 for purchase of books and periodicals by Rs. 5.

Sir, my object in making this motion is to bring to the notice of Government that though year after year we are providing funds for the purchase of books, the books purchased are not available for *our* use. I should consider that this provision is made for the purpose of procuring ammunition for the members of the other side only. Though the ammunition is bought we are not given the opportunity to use it. I can give an instance. For the last one month I have been indenting on the Council Secretary for the budget debates of the Legislative Assembly and of the Madras Legislative Council, but I was being told...

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Probably the ammunition had been put into some other guns. (*Laughter.*)

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): Sir, these books, as I understand from the Secretary, are being purchased for giving work to the binders in the Government Press. He has been telling me for the last one month that the books are in the Government Press and have not been received bound. I ask, Sir, what is the use in making provision for these books when we are not able to use them.

Another point which I wish to impress upon the House is that the Library is not up-to-date and fully equipped. I do not know who makes the selection of books, whether it is done with the approval of the President or whether the Secretary himself does it or whether there is any Committee to approve of the selection or whether the Deputy President knows anything about it.

PRESIDENT: I have issued instructions that a suggestion book be opened and kept in the Library for the members to record their suggestions.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): It is already in existence, Sir, and many of the members of the past Councils *have* recorded their suggestions.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): I am sorry I was not able to find the suggestion book. I never knew of it. I am sure many of the members of this Council and also of the previous Councils did not know of the suggestion book.

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MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): I repeat that Mr. P. K. Narayana Pillai, Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai, Mr. T. K. Velu Pillai and other members of the previous Councils *have* suggested the purchase of some books.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): All that I say is that I have not seen the book.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I draw the attention of the member to Appendix VI, Section 9 of the Legislative Council Manual which says:

"A suggestion-book shall be kept in the Library for the use of the Members and others entitled to borrow books therefrom ?"

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): I did not say that no provision has been made. I only said that the book was not to be found there.

Coming to my point, I wish that proper attention is bestowed on the purchase of useful books and making these books really useful to us.

There is a system of calling many of the books, 'reference books'. The debates of the Assembly and the Proceedings of Councils which are of utmost use to us are treated by the Secretary as reference books. The Secretary has the power of calling any book he pleases as reference book whenever we want a book. Probably the Secretary is afraid that we may use the book against him. Sir, if these books are to be called reference books, I would suggest that not less than two copies of these Council Proceedings may be purchased so that one copy may be kept in the Library as reference book, the other to be circulated to the members in town or to the other members who happen to be in town during the sittings of the Council. I do not want the Secretary to say that 50 copies would have to be purchased for the fifty members. That is why I suggest that two copies may be purchased one to be kept in the Library and the other to be circulated to the members in town. If the copy to be circulated happens to be with a particular member when another member wants it the Secretary can send up a requisition and get the book from the member who has it. All that I suggest is, that books must be made available for the members on this side of the House also.

One more point that I wish to press on the attention of Government is that at present we are allowed to take only two books at a time. Unfortunately for us when we apply for a book which has been published in two or three volumes we are not allowed to take more than two volumes of the book. The Librarian considers each volume as a book. The Secretary must therefore be instructed to consider the complete set of a book as one book instead of considering each volume a book in itself. With these observations, I make the motion for the consideration of the House.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): I do not think there is much to be seriously refuted in the case of this motion.

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[Mr. T. P. Ramasubba Aiyar.]

In regard to the purchase of books for the Library, they are selected by the Secretary. Sometimes instructions issue from the Dewan or the Chief Secretary and there is also the suggestion book in the Library room in which the members of the Legislative Council record their suggestions. All these are taken into consideration and orders are issued from time to time.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): May I know the amount allotted for the purchase of books for the current year?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Rupees 1,500.

In regard to the books called reference books, such as proceedings of mofusil legislative councils, at present we have only one copy. So we cannot but treat them as reference books. As suggested by the member more copies could be ordered. But it is a question of cost. The allotment of Rs. 1,500 should not be *reduced* by Rs. 5, but it should be *doubled* so that more copies could be purchased.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): Is the member aware that we are not at liberty to increase the provisions in the budget?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): I am perfectly aware of it.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): May I know the amount spent for the purchase of books, on an average?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*):

	Rs.
In 1098	for 2,191
,, 1099	,, 1,709
,, 1100	,, 1,365
,, 1101	,, 2,334
,, 1102	,, 1,189
,, 1103	over 1,000

In the case of publications issued by this Government, such as Unrepealed Regulations and Proceedings of the Travancore Legislative Council, more than one set has been placed in the Library even at present.

The one other point that remains to be answered is in regard to the complaint that each volume of a publication is considered to be a book in itself. That, I think, is probably due to the indiscretion of the Librarian. The Secretary and the Chief Secretary were not aware of it till now. It will not recur hereafter.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): Sir, I am glad that the Secretary to the Legislative Council has promised.....

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Sorry. I am not the Secretary to the Legislative Council, Sir. (*Laughter.*)

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MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*) : Sorry I am glad that Mr. Ramasubba Aiyar, Ag. Chief Secretary to Government, has been kind enough to hold out a promise that in future he would see that greater convenience to us in the manner of making these books available would be provided. I therefore beg leave to withdraw the motion.

The motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

Motion 139.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*) ; Sir, I beg to move the following motion:

To reduce the allotment of Rs. 22,900 for Legislative Council by Re. 1.

My object in making this motion is to bring to the notice of Government the fact that proper convenience is not being given to the members of this Council in the Legislative Council Library. There is a Library room packed with almirahs, one or two tables and half-a-dozen or a dozen chairs. As well now there are thirty five members and about seventy press-men who have got to use this room. Unfortunately when we go to the library we do not get sufficient accommodation there.

Another point is this. There is no Attender in the library or an assistant to the Librarian. A few days back I had been to the library and I wanted to send a communication to the Secretary. I wrote it myself, put it in the envelope, pasted it and, but for the kindness of the Librarian, I should have had to take it to the Secretary myself and delivered it. Sir, when there are a good number of peons in the Secretariat, I am sure, it is not a difficult matter to post an Attender in the Library for the convenience of the members. The object of my motion is to press on the Government the necessity to post a peon or two in the library room for the convenience of the members who use the library. With these observations I move the motion.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : I am aware, Sir, that there are thirty five non-official members who have the right to go to the Legislative Council Library room ; but my experience is that the chairs now provided there have never been fully occupied so far. There has never been any complaint for want of chairs.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*) : May I know whether the member has any idea of the number of press-men who go there daily ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : The Press room is located in a separate part of the Library room. The member should not confuse the Press Room with the Legislative Council Library.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*) : Is it an imaginary separation that the member is speaking of ?

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MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Actual physical separation.

I grant that when need arises Government should be prepared to provide the necessary accommodation. Government realise that even at present there is not enough proper accommodation since the Press room also is located in the same hall.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): May I know whether the same room is not used as the Press Room and the Library?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes, that is what I was saying. It is not a difficult matter to provide a few more chairs in the Library. There are funds in the budget. But there is no room. Government will consider whether any other arrangement could be made. There is no other accommodation in the Secretariat buildings for this Library.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): What about the Attender?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): There is one Attender at present for both the branches, namely, the Library and the Press room. There is also one punkah-man—I cannot call him a peon. If the members feel any great inconvenience in the matter, Government will have no objection to approach the Council for a supplementary grant for another Attender also.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): I beg leave to withdraw the motion.

The motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

Motion 140.

The following motion was not moved.

MR. L. R. RAJA RAJA VARMA KOILTAMPURAN:

"To reduce the allotment of Rs. 22,900 for Legislative Council by Re 1.

Motion 141.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): കൗൺസിലിലേയ്ക്കു ൨൨,൯൦൦ രൂപാചേത്തിട്ടുള്ളതിൽ ൫ രൂപാകുറയ്ക്കണം എന്നാണ് ഉപക്ഷേപം. കൗൺസിൽ കാര്യങ്ങളെ കുറെക്കൂടി പ്രയോജനകരമാ ൻ സ്ഥതിയിൽ നയിയ്ക്കണമെന്ന് ചൂണ്ടിക്കാണിയ്ക്കുവാനാണ് ഞാൻ ഈ ഉപക്ഷേപം കൊണ്ടുവന്നിട്ടുള്ളതു്. പുതിയതായി സംഘടിപ്പിയ്ക്കപ്പെട്ട നിയമസഭ ഇപ്പോൾ ആറു പൂർണ്ണവർഷങ്ങൾ കഴിഞ്ഞു ഏഴാമത്തെ വർഷത്തിലേയ്ക്കു കടന്നിരിയ്ക്കുകയാണ്. എന്നാൽ നാം ചെല്ലുന്തോറും ഇതുകൊണ്ടു് ജനങ്ങൾക്കു കൂടുതൽ പ്രയോജനം ലഭിയ്ക്കുത്തക്കവണ്ണമാണെല്ലോ അതിനെ നയിച്ചുകൊണ്ടു പോകേണ്ടതു്. ഇപ്പോഴത്തെ നിലയിൽ നോക്കുന്നപക്ഷം ഇതുകൊണ്ടുള്ള പ്രയോജനം ക്രമേണ കുറഞ്ഞുവരുന്നതിന് സംഗതിയായേയ്ക്കും എന്നു

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യെപ്പെടേണ്ടിയിരിയ്ക്കുന്നു. ഇങ്ങനെ വരുന്നതിനുള്ള കാരണങ്ങളെ ഓരോന്നായി വിവരിക്കാം. ഒന്നാമതായിട്ട് ഈ കൗൺസിലിൽ തരുന്ന ഉത്തരം സത്യാവസ്ഥയെ വെളിപ്പെടുത്തത്തക്കവണ്ണം ശ്രദ്ധിച്ചു തയ്യാറാക്കിയവയല്ല. ഇതു വളരെ ആപല്ക്കരമാണു്. അബദ്ധമായിട്ടുള്ള പല മറുപടികളുംപറയുവാൻ ഇടയാകുന്നു. ഇതുപോലെ വാസ്തവസ്ഥിതി അറിയാൻ പാടില്ലാത്തവിധത്തിൽ കൊടുത്തിട്ടുള്ള പല ഉത്തരങ്ങളും ഇവിടെ ഉദാഹരിയ്ക്കാം. ഈ കൌൺസിൽയോഗത്തിൽ ഫ ൦ ഫ-ലും ഫ ൦ ഖ-ലും മൂവാറ്റുപുഴ,തൊടുപുഴ ഈ താലൂക്കുകളിൽ പുതിയ റോഡു കൾക്കായി അനുവദിച്ചതുകയിൽ ഭൂരിപക്ഷം ലാപ്സായി പോയതായി അറിയാമോഎന്നു ഞാൻചോദിച്ച ചോദ്യത്തിനു് നാംകിയ മറുപടിയിൽ ലാപ്സ് ആയില്ല എന്നു പറഞ്ഞു. ഇതിനു മുമ്പിലത്തെ കൗൺസിലിൽ-"ഫൻഖ ൪ ആഗസ്റ്റ് ഫ വ നു-" നടന്ന നിയമസഭയിൽ ലാപ്സായ തുക ചോദിച്ചപ്പോൾ ഫ ൦ ഖ-ൽ ൪ വ ശതമാനം ലാപ്സായി പോയി എന്നു പറഞ്ഞു. ഖ ഖ ശതമാനമാണു് ചിലവായിട്ടുള്ളതു്. ഫ ഫ ൦ ഫ-ൽ ൻ, ൦ ൦ ൦ ത്തിൽ ചിലപ്പോൾ ശുപാ ലാപ്സായി എന്നു പറഞ്ഞിരിയ്ക്കുന്നു. ഫ ൦, ൦ ൦ ൦ ത്തിൽ ശിഷ്ടം ശുപായാണു് പുതിയറോഡുകൾക്കായി ആ കൊല്ലം അനുവദിച്ചിരുന്നതു്. ഇങ്ങനെ ഭൂരിപക്ഷവും ലാപ്സായി പോയതിനെപറ്റി ഗൗനിക്കുമോ എന്നു ചോദിച്ചപ്പോൾ ലാപ്സായിട്ടില്ല എന്നു മറുപടിപറഞ്ഞു. ഇതുപോലെ തന്നെ കൗൺസിലിൽ തരുന്ന ഉത്തരങ്ങൾക്കു ഒരുക്രമീകരണവുമില്ല. കൗൺസിലിൽ ഉദ്യോഗനിയമനങ്ങളെ സംബന്ധിച്ചുള്ള പട്ടികചോദിച്ചാൽ അതിനുതരുന്ന മറുപടിയുടെ പട്ടിക എങ്ങിനെയാണുതയ്യാറാക്കുന്നതു് എന്നു് കഴിഞ്ഞ കൗൺസിൽകാലത്തു് മി. കെ. കെ. താമസ് ചോദിച്ചിരുന്നു. അതിനു വ്യക്തമായ മറുപടി തന്നിട്ടുണ്ടു്. ഇപ്പോൾ അതിനു വിപരീതമായി ഓരോ അവസരങ്ങളിൽ ഓരോവിധത്തിൽ പട്ടികതരുന്നു. ഇങ്ങനെ തന്നപട്ടികയിൽ ക്രസ്ത്യൻ എന്ന വിഭാഗത്തിൽ ജേക്കബായിറ്റ്, മാർത്തോമ്മാ, കത്തോലിക്ക്, റോമൊസിറിയൻ എന്നിങ്ങനെ പല വകുപ്പുകളാണു് അതിൽ കാണുന്നതു്. ഇതിനു മുമ്പിലത്തെ കൌൺസിലിൽ റോമൊസിറിയൻ എന്നതിനെ മാറ്റി കാത്തലിക്ക്സിറിയൻ എന്നോ, റോമൻ കാത്തലിക്ക്സിറിയൻ എന്നോ ചേർക്കണമെന്നു ആവശ്യപ്പെട്ടിരുന്നു. അങ്ങിനെ ചെയ്യാമെന്നു ഗവമ്മെൻറു മറുപടിയും പറഞ്ഞു. (അതായതു് ഫൻഖ ന്ന നവമ്പർ, ഖ ൪-നു-) വീണ്ടും ഇന്നലത്തെ ഉത്തരത്തിൽ ഗവമ്മെൻറു പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുള്ളതിനു് വിപരീതമായിട്ടു് റോമൊസിറിയൻ എന്നു ചേർത്തു

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[Mr. Tariatu Kunjitomman.]

കാണുന്നുണ്ട്. ഈ വിധത്തിൽ കുഴഞ്ഞ രീതിയിൽ ഒരു വ്യവസ്ഥയും ഇല്ലാതെ ഉത്തരം തരുന്നതു വളരെ കുഴപ്പങ്ങൾക്കു കാരണമാകുന്നു. ഗവൺമെൻറു ഇന്ന വിധം ചെയ്യാമെന്നു പറഞ്ഞതിനു വിപരീതമായിട്ടു പ്രവർത്തിക്കുന്നതു കഷ്ടമാണല്ലോ. ഈ വിഷയത്തിൽ പ്രസിഡണ്ടു് അവർകളുടെ ശ്രദ്ധ പതിക്കണം.

ഇപ്പോൾ കൌൺസിലിൽ നാട്ടുഭാഷ സംസാരിക്കുന്നവരായി ഏഴു മെമ്പറന്മാരോളമുണ്ടു്. എന്നാൽ കഴിഞ്ഞ കൌൺസിലിൽ ആറു പേർ മാത്രമെ ഉണ്ടായിരുന്നുള്ളൂ. കഴിഞ്ഞ വർഷംവരെ മലയാളത്തിൽ ചോദിയ്ക്കുന്ന ഉപചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്കു മലയാളത്തിൽ തന്നെ ഉത്തരം തരാറുണ്ടായിരുന്നു. പ്രസംഗമദ്ധ്യേ ചോദിക്കുന്നവക്കും അങ്ങിനെതന്നെതന്നിരുന്നു.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): I submit that this is out of order as he is discussing the President's ruling.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): പ്രസിഡൻറിൻെറ രുളിങ്ങിനെ ശിരസാവഹിക്കാനല്ലാതെ എതിർത്തു പറയുന്നില്ല.

PRESIDENT: It has been carefully and deliberately laid down from its very inception that the language of the Council shall be English and a great majority of the members are perfectly well acquainted with English although some elect to speak in Malayalam for what reason I do not know. When a member seeks election to this Council, he knows perfectly well that the language of this Council is English and that if he is elected he is well aware of the disability, if any disability, he has.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): ഇതൊന്നും മനസ്സിലായില്ലെന്നു എനിക്കു സമ്മതിക്കാതെ തരമില്ല. (ചിരി).

PRESIDENT: If you come to me to-morrow morning I will translate it for you.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): ഇതിനുമുമ്പു പ്രസിഡൻറുതന്നെ ഒരു കൌൺസിലിൽ തമിഴിലും മലയാളത്തിലും മറുപടി പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുണ്ടു്. അതു് പ്രൊസീഡിംഗ്സിൽനിന്നും കാണാം.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): I submit that all this is not in order. He is moving a reduction motion and if the motion is carried it will mean a censure on the President; he should not therefore speak on a ruling of the President.

PRESIDENT: He has already said that it is due to ignorance of English.

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MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): കൌൺസിൽ ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്കു വ്യക്തമായ മറുപടി തരാൻ വേണ്ടഓർഡ്ഡാട്ടുചെയ്യണം. മലയാളത്തിൽ ചോദിക്കുന്ന ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്കു മലയാളത്തിൽതന്നെ ഉത്തരം പറഞ്ഞാൽകൊള്ളാമെന്നുണ്ടെങ്കിലും പ്രസിഡൻറിന്റെ മുമ്പിങ്ങ്പോലെ നടക്കട്ടെ. കീഴ് നടപ്പുനമ്പരിച്ചു നടത്തിയാൽ കൊള്ളാം. മലയാളംപുരുക്കെഴുത്തുകാരുടെ കായ്ത്തിലും കൂടുതൽ ശ്രദ്ധിക്കേണ്ടതുണ്ട്. ഇപ്പോഴും ഇവിടെ പതിനഞ്ചുപേർ മലയാളത്തിൽ സംസാരിക്കാനുണ്ട്. അതുകൊണ്ടു കൂടുതൽ ആളുകളെ നിയമിക്കണം.

PRESIDENT: You are entirely out of order. If you persist in that line I will ask you to sit down.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): പുരുക്കെഴുത്തിനു കൂടുതൽ ആളുവേണമെന്നാണ് പറയുന്നതു്. പ്രസിഡൻറിന്റെ മുമ്പിങ്ങിനെ പറഞ്ഞിട്ടില്ലെന്നും പറയുന്നില്ല.

ഇതുയും പറഞ്ഞുകൊണ്ടു ഒരു ഉപക്ഷേപത്തെ അവതരിപ്പിച്ചുകൊള്ളുന്നു.

PRESIDENT: Your time is up.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Sir, in regard to the lapsing of the budget grants in regard to the P. W. D. Works in Muvattupuzha taluk, the discrepancy is only apparent. In regard to the member's earlier question, what he wanted was information regarding the lapses on *individual works*. So the amount that lapsed on particular works was supplied to the member. The question in the current Session was as to the amount that lapsed in the taluk and the Government answered that only three per cent of the total allotment sanctioned in the year lapsed. So it will be seen that the discrepancy is only apparent, if the member will carefully look into it.

In regard to the classification of replies to interpellations there is some difficulty. As I said, the interpellations are received at the last moment and the heads of departments do not sometimes conform to the form of statement which has been prescribed for return of appointments. It is in their desire to furnish the available information to the members that such answers as are being received are given. Once again the Government will issue instructions to heads of departments that in preparing answers they should conform to the form of statement prescribed by Government.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Have not instructions been issued to the officers as to the form to be adopted?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): In regard to the return of appointments a form has been prescribed for a quarterly return. According to the information sought for a particular question the answer might not have been in the form prescribed and it is that that Mr. Kunjitomman is complaining about.

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[Mr. T. P. Ramasubba Aiyar.]

In regard to the Malayalam Short-hand Reporters it is a matter that the Government will consider, and if a need is found, we will have more men.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*): May I know from the member.

PRESIDENT: The member has resumed his seat.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): I also beg to support the motion. While doing so, I want to place some important circumstances for the consideration of Government. To begin with, in the matter of answering interpellations I have a standing grievance. The grievances are of two kinds. First of all, interpellations, in spite of the fact that they were repeated for more than three or four times, remain unanswered even to-day. The second grievance is more important. An Interpellator asks a series of questions with a particular object in his mind and unless all those interpellations are answered at a stretch, on the same day, the utility of the interpellation is destroyed and information gets so detached that the member is not able to derive the benefit for which they were tabled.

Another point is this. This Council, Sir, originally and even now, it has to be understood mainly as a legislative body. But recently, it has so developed that it has become mainly an administrative body. I do not say that administrative matters are not very important to be considered in this House and that ought to be one of the main business to be transacted in this House. What I would submit Sir, is this, that to protect the prestige of the House some important legal measures, at least some measures, which form the burning question of the day, ought to have been legislated during a period of three years..... .....

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Should it not have been done out of considerations of utility?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Certainly that is what I say. Sir, I am aware that during the last three or four years some measures were passed like the Cinematograph Regulation, the Mines and Minerals Regulation and we have under consideration measures like Travancore Official Trustee Bill and the Administrator-General Bill. All these may be necessary. But my mind is always haunted by the Jenmi Kudiyan Bill. I may say, Sir, that all these are very unimportant from my point of view, as well as from the public. The question of enacting a law to settle the relations between the Jenmies and Kudiyans has been mooted very very long ago. Within the past four years, it is fresh in my memory that many non-official friends, interpellated Government upon the matter and incidentally that fact was drawn to the notice of Government. I myself interpellated and the Government also announced in this House that an agency will be appointed to settle the relations between the Jenmies and Kudiyans. My grievance is that nothing more has been done in the matter and therefore I have been compelled to the pressing necessity of placing that matter once again for the consideration of Government.

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Another aspect which I wish to present before this House is that this House is a very useful institution with wide rights and prerogatives. It is the duty of the non-official members on this side of the House and the duty of the members on the other side to transmit this institution to our posterity with all its vigour. Recently, Sir, because of the ruling I am afraid I will be trespassing into a thing which I am unable to do now, yet I would personally make a request in view of the fact that non-official members who are elected once in three years and who are not expected to be masters of technicalities and other things which are laid down in the Regulation and the Rules which control the proceedings of the House unless the learned Law Member and the Officers on the other side of the House who seem to have some permanency for some time than the non-official members may take a charitable view of the situation and look into the matter in a broader way, the utility of the House may not be as much as is expected. Therefore, Sir, again pressing before Government the necessity of taking some definite steps to enact a law to settle the relations between the Jenmies and Kudiyans and some other important measures as for example to amend the Insolvency and other Regulations, I support the motion.

MR. MATTHEW MURIKKAN (*Vaikam*) : Sir, I also wish to support the motion introduced by Mr. Tariatu Kunjitomman. In support of the motion introduced by him I wish to call the attention of Government to the fact that this Council has not got a Secretary of its own. I do not mean that the business of the Council suffers for want of a Secretary. But it is suggested by some of the members of this House that the House feels that some of its wants are not properly ministered to as the Secretary to the Council has got other duties to look after. Therefore, I think it is better for the usefulness of the members on this side and on the other side of the House to have a special Secretary for the Council.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Has the member suffered because of the want of a Secretary?

MR. MATTHEW MURIKKAN (*Vaikam*): Certainly. It is not my fault or the fault of anybody else. We feel that if a Secretary is appointed for the Council the work will be attended to more satisfactorily and the needs of the members who are in the mofussil will also be more readily complied with.

With regard to the rulings of the President I also know that they bind the members of the House. The learned member on the other side of the House had something to say on the ruling. In Parliament when the Speaker makes a ruling it binds the House. But the members have a right to appeal to the Speaker just to revise the rulings on considerations of broad policy. What Mr. Kunjitomman and I beg to suggest is that some of these rulings do not.....

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*) : I rise to a point of order. The member is discussing about the rulings of the President while apparently speaking about what the

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Law Member says. The Law Member is only a member like any other member. If Mr. Murikkan wants to speak about the ruling he cannot do it directly or indirectly, on a reduction motion.

PRESIDENT: You have yet to learn as you are a very new member that in a Chamber of this sort the Chair is treated with a degree of respect which is absolutely necessary for the maintenance of the Council in dignity and business working methods. Therefore anything emanating from the Chair cannot be questioned or commented upon as you have been endeavouring during the last five minutes. It is only because you are a new young member that I sustained it so long.

MR. MATTHEW MURIKKAN (*Vaikam*): I have a very grand respect for the Chair and also for the privileges of this House. This Council was started by the late lamented Maharaja with the object of associating his subjects in administration and legislation and I know I will be failing in my duty if I do not respect the Chair as member of this Council. Far be from it, I am only just referring to certain requests and I stop here with regard to the particular point. I am not going to comment on them.

With regard to Section 24 of the Legislative Council Rules what the Section says is 'will' and not 'shall'. That is to say the language will be English ordinarily. It does not mean that the Vernacular is for bidden altogether.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): I must rise to a point of order, Sir.

MR. MATTHEW MURIKKAN (*Vaikam*): With these observations I stop.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): If you will permit me, Sir, I would say a word. I have not the least objection to the members making a representation on a ruling but it should not be in the debate on a reduction motion. For, if that motion is pressed to a vote there will be a decision of the House and the result will be a vote of the House on the ruling of the Chair.

PRESIDENT: Of course, the whole thing is quite irregular. Very few members have to have it brought to their notice and I am sure that as you have done so now they are never likely to fail for want of knowledge of the proper rules of business.

MR. MATTEW MURIKKAN (*Vaikam*): In view of what has been said by the Law Member, I am not going to say anything more.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*: ഒരു ഉപക്ഷേപം വോട്ടിനിടണമെന്ന് അപേക്ഷിക്കുന്നു.

PRESIDENT: I see no issue before the House.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): വോട്ടിനിടണം.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Sir, I accept that.

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Motion 142

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*) : Sir, I beg to move the following motion :

To reduce the allotment of Rs. 22,900 for Legislative Council by Rs. 10.

Sir, in moving this, my object is merely to bring to the notice of Government the necessity for a Council Hall. I have only to mention one fact for the House to accept my motion. It is now about four years Sir, since a resolution was accepted by the Government to the effect that a Council Hall will be erected and that would be associated with the revered name of His Highness the late Maha Raja. That stands as it is today. And from two considerations, one of utility itself and the other the paramount necessity of giving effect to that resolution out of respect to the memory of the great Ruler—my motion has to be accepted. The resolution referred to by me was accepted on the 11th February 1925. On the question of necessity the two motions that were brought forward by Mr. Piraviperumal Pillai strongly support me. The Council cannot claim this as its own. The Council requires a library as has already been suggested and also other conveniences. All that could be had only in a place set apart for this purpose. With these words I commend this motion to the acceptance of the House.

MR. MURUVELIL PACHU PILLAI (*Shertallai*): മിസ്റ്റർ. താണുപിള്ള യുടെ ഉപക്ഷേപത്തിന്റെ പ്രാധാന്യത്തെ ആസ്പദമാക്കി ഈ ഉപക്ഷേപം സഭ സ്വീകരിക്കണമെന്നുള്ള അദ്ദേഹത്തിന്റെ അഭിപ്രായത്തെ ഞാൻ അനുകൂലിക്കുന്നു.

MR. L. R. RAJA RAJA VARMA KOIL TAMPURAN (*Changanacherry* cum *Peermade*): മിസ്റ്റർതാണുപിള്ളയുടെ അഭിപ്രായത്തോടുഞാനും യോജിച്ചു കൊള്ളുന്നു. എന്റെ പേരിൽ മുമ്പുണ്ടായിരുന്ന പ്രമേയം മഹാരാജാ തിരുന്നതിന്റെ കാരണം രാജ്യഭരണവിഷയമായിട്ടുള്ളതും, അതിപ്രധാനമായിട്ടുള്ളതുമായ കാര്യങ്ങളെ സംബന്ധിച്ചു പ്രസ്ഥാവിച്ചുകൊണ്ടിരിയ്ക്കുന്ന മദ്ധ്യത്തിൽ ഇതിലേയ്ക്കുവേണ്ടി സമയചിലവു വരുത്തരുതു് എന്നുവിചാരിച്ചു മാത്രമാണു്. ഞാൻ പറയാനുള്ള ഭാഗങ്ങളിൽ മിക്കതും മുമ്പെ തന്നെ പല മെമ്പറന്മാരും പറഞ്ഞുകഴിഞ്ഞിരിക്കയും, അതിനു് അനുസരണമായി മറുപടി നല്കുകയും ചെയ്തിട്ടുണ്ടു്. അതു് ഗവണ്മെന്റു ദയവു വിചാരിച്ചാൽ നിവൃത്തിച്ചുതരാവുന്നതുമാണു്. ആരെങ്കിലും കേട്ടാൽ ചിരിയ്ക്കത്തക്ക ഒരു അപേക്ഷയാണു് എന്റെ ഉപക്ഷേപം. ഞങ്ങൾക്കു് ഈ അവസരത്തിൽ ഒരു കാർ ഷെഡ്ഡ് ഒഴിച്ചുകൂടാത്ത നിലയിലാണിരിക്കുന്നതു്.

മി: താണുപിള്ള ഇവിടെ കൊണ്ടുവന്നിട്ടുള്ള ഉപക്ഷേപത്തിനാൽ ഉദ്ദേശിക്കുന്നതു് നിയമസഭയ്ക്കു ഒരു ഹാൾ വേണമെന്നുള്ളതാണു്. അതു കെട്ടിതീരുമ്പോൾ ഒരു കാർഷെഡും കൂടി ഉണ്ടാക്കാമെന്നാണു് സിക്രട്ടറി എന്നോടു പറഞ്ഞതു്. ഈ കാർഷെഡ്ഡ് കെട്ടേണ്ട ആവശ്യ

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[Mr. L. R. Raja Raja Varma Koil Tampuran.]

കത അഫിഷ്യൽ മെമ്പറന്മാരും നല്ലവണ്ണം അറിഞ്ഞിട്ടുണ്ട്. ദിവാൻ പ്രസിഡൻറിനുപോലും സ്വന്തം കാറു നിത്താൻ ഒരു ഷെഡ് ഇല്ലാത്ത സ്ഥിതിക്കു് ഞങ്ങൾക്കു് ഒരു ഷെഡ് ഉണ്ടാക്കിത്തരണമെന്നു പറയുന്നതിൽ എനിക്കു് ലജ്ജയും ഉണ്ടു്. ഈ സംഗതി കൌൺസിൽ ഹാൾ കെട്ടുമ്പോൾ നിവൃത്തിക്കണമെന്നും അതുവരെ ഒരു ടെമ്പററി ഷെഡ് കെട്ടിത്തന്നാൽ കൊള്ളാമെന്നും ഞാൻ അപേക്ഷിക്കുന്നു.

കഴിഞ്ഞ കൌൺസിലിൽ ഡിപ്പാട്ടി പ്രസിഡൻറു ഇതിനെ പററി ശക്തിയായി വാദിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടു്. മെസ്സേർസ് സുബ്ബയ്യർ, പി. കെ. നാരായണപിള്ള ഇവരാൽ ആ നിശ്ചയം ഹാജരാക്കി ഇപ്പോൾ നാലു കൊല്ലം കഴിഞ്ഞിരിക്കുന്നു. ഇതുവരെയായിട്ടും യാതൊരു നടപടിയും നടത്താത്തതിൽ വ്യസനിക്കുന്നു. ഇനിയെങ്കിലും അതു പ്രയോഗികത്തിൽ വന്നു കാണണമെന്നുള്ള അപേക്ഷയോടുകൂടി ഉപക്ഷേപത്തെ പിൻതാങ്ങിക്കൊള്ളുന്നു.

RAO BAHADUR K. A. KRISHNA AIYANGAR (*Nominated, Deputy President*): Sir, I was a party to the resolution referred to by my friend Mr. Thanu Pillai in regard to the erection of the memorial to house the Legislative Council and therefore request that the Government may accept the desirability of the purpose for which that token motion is submitted before the Council.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Sir, in regard to the Council Hall Government are equally interested in having one as soon as possible. And with this object ever since the resolution was passed, Government have been in correspondence with the Chief Engineer, but unfortunately he is not able to select a suitable site.

PRESIDENT: That is not quite correct. The site has been settled, the preliminary plans have been drawn up and we are only waiting to bring forward a supplementary grant for the purpose.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Sir, I was not aware of that.

PRESIDENT: The plans were shown to the members at the last Finance Committee meeting.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): With regard to the question of accommodation for the cars, the matter will be considered as part and parcel of the work of constructing the Council Hall when it is taken up.

The motion was by leave withdrawn.

Motions 143 and 144.

The following motions were not moved:—

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI:

To reduce the allotment of Rs. 22,900 for Legislative Council by Rs. 100.

MR. A. G. MENON:

To reduce the total allotment of Rs. 2,04,589 under Demand VII by Re. 1.

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Motion 145.

MR. N. R. KRISHNAN (*Nominated*): ൨, ൦ ൫, ൟ വൻശ്രുപയിൽനിന്നും ഒരു ശ്രുപാ കുറയ്ക്കുണമെന്നാണ് എന്റെ ഉപക്ഷേപം. പല മെമ്പറന്മാരും ഇതിനു മുൻപു് ഓരോ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറു മേധാവികളും ചെയ്യുവരുന്ന അഴിമതികളാൽ ഉണ്ടാകുന്ന പരാതിയെപ്പറ്റി പ്രസ്താവിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടല്ലോ. ഈ വിഷയം ഒന്നുകൂടി ഗവണ്മെൻറിന്റെ മുമ്പാകെ കൊണ്ടുവരാനാണ് ഞാൻ ഈ ഉപക്ഷേപം അവതരിപ്പിച്ചിരിക്കുന്നതു്. ഇതു മാതിരി സങ്കടമായിട്ടുള്ള സംഗതികൾ ഗവണ്മെൻറിന്റെ ശ്രദ്ധക്കായി കൊണ്ടുവരുമ്പോൾ അതിലേക്കു വേണ്ടവിധത്തിൽ ഉള്ള നിവാരണ മാർഗ്ഗങ്ങൾ ഉടനടി ഉണ്ടാക്കിത്തരുമെന്നു് എനിക്കു വിശ്വാസമുണ്ടു്. കഴിഞ്ഞ പ്രജാസഭയിൽ തന്നെ ഗവണ്മെൻറിന്റെ ദൃഷ്ടിയിൽ കൊണ്ടുവരികയും അതിനു ഞങ്ങൾക്കു നിവാരണം ഉണ്ടാക്കിത്തരികയും ചെയ്തിട്ടുള്ളതു ഞങ്ങൾക്കു ഓർമ്മയുണ്ടു്. ഗവണ്മെൻറിന്റെ വിലയേറിയ സമയത്തെ ഇങ്ങനെയുള്ള ഉദ്യോഗ നിയമനക്കാര്യങ്ങളെപ്പറ്റി പറയുന്നതിനു വിനിയോഗിക്കുന്നതിൽ ഞങ്ങൾക്കു വാസ്തവത്തിൽ സങ്കടമില്ലാതെയില്ല. ഉദ്യോഗ നിയമന വിഷയത്തിൽ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറു മേധാവികൾ സമർപ്പിക്കുന്ന ലിസ്റ്റ് കൂടുതൽ ശ്രദ്ധയോടു കൂടി പരിശോധിക്കയും സാധു ജനങ്ങൾക്കു സങ്കടം നേരിടാത്ത വിധത്തിൽ നടത്തുന്നതിനു ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറു മേധാവികളെ വേണ്ടും വണ്ണം ഉപദേശിക്കയും ചെയ്യേണ്ടതാണു്. അങ്ങിനെ ചെയ്യാതിരിക്കുന്നിടത്തോളം കാലം ജനങ്ങളുടെ പരാതി വർദ്ധിച്ചു വരുവാനെ തരമൊള്ളു. ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറധികൃതന്മാർ തെറ്റായി പ്രവർത്തിക്കുന്ന പക്ഷം അതിനെപ്പറ്റി ആകർഷൻ എടുക്കയും അവർ നടത്തീട്ടുള്ള നിയമനങ്ങളുടെ ലിസ്റ്റ് പൊതു ജനങ്ങൾ അറിയത്തക്കവണ്ണം പ്രസിദ്ധപ്പെടുത്തുകയും ചെയ്യണം. ഇതുയും പറഞ്ഞുകൊണ്ടു എന്റെ ൦രം ഉപക്ഷേപത്തെ സഭയുടെ സ്വീകരണത്തിനായി സമർപ്പിച്ചുകൊള്ളുന്നു.

MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*): മിസ്റ്റർ കൃഷ്ണൻ അവതരിപ്പിച്ച ഉപക്ഷേപത്തെ ഞാൻ ശക്തിയായി പിൻ താങ്ങുന്നു. മുമ്പെ തന്നെ ഈ ഹാളിൽപല പ്രാസംഗികന്മാരും പറഞ്ഞപ്രകാരം സിക്രട്ടറിയറ്റ് ആണു ആകെയുള്ള ഭരണ ശക്തിയുടെ കേന്ദ്രസ്ഥാനം വഹിയ്ക്കുന്നതെന്നുള്ളതിനു് ഒട്ടും സംശയമില്ല. ഈ സ്ഥാനം ശരിയായ നിലയിൽ പ്രവർത്തിക്കുന്ന പക്ഷം മറ്റെല്ലാ സ്ഥാനങ്ങളും ശരിയായ രീതിയിൽ പ്രവൃത്തിക്കാതിരിക്കുന്നതിനു നിവൃത്തിയില്ല. എല്ലാ ഡിപ്പാർ

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[MR. P. S. Mahomed.]

ട്ടുമെൻറുകളിലും ഉള്ളതായ സകല റിപ്പോർട്ടുകളും, അവരുടെ നിയമന ലിസ്റ്റ്കളും ഇവിടെ വരാതെ നിവൃത്തിയില്ല. ഗവണ്മെൻറിൻെറഉപ ദേശത്തിനു വിപരീതമായ രീതിയിൽ ഏതെങ്കിലും മേധാവികൾ പ്രവ ർത്തിയ്ക്കുന്നുവെന്നു കണ്ടാൽ അതു് ഗവണ്മെൻറിൻെറ ദൃഷ്ടിയിൽ കൊ ണ്ടുവരേണ്ടതു് ഇവിടെയുള്ള എല്ലാ സിക്രിട്ടറിമാരുടേയും പ്രവൃത്തിയാകു ന്നു. അങ്ങിനെ അവർ പ്രവൃത്തിച്ചിരുന്നുയെന്നുവരികിൽ നിയമനവി ഷയത്തിൽ ഗവണ്മെൻറു കൊടുത്തിട്ടുള്ള ഉത്തരവിനെ അഗണ്യമാക്കുക യില്ലായിരുന്നു. ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറുമേധാവികളുടെ പ്രവൃത്തിക്കു സിക്രട്ടറി യേറ്റിലുള്ള ആളുകളുംഅനുകൂലികളല്ലായിരുന്നു എന്നുവരുകിൽഗവണ്മെ ൻറിൻെറ ഉത്തരവിനെ വിലയില്ലാത്തനിലയിൽ കരുതുന്നതിനു ഡിപ്പാ ർട്ടുമെൻറുമേധാവികൾ ഒരുങ്ങുകയില്ലായിരുന്നു. ആയതുകൊണ്ടു് ഇനി യെങ്കിലും ഓരോഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലും പ്രാതിനിധ്യം കുറഞ്ഞ സമുദായ ക്കാരുടെ നിയമനങ്ങളിൽ പ്രത്യേകം ശ്രദ്ധിച്ചു ദൃഷ്ടിവയ്ക്കുകയും സിക്രി ട്ടറിമാർ ഈ വിഷയത്തിൽ നല്ലപോലെ ശ്രദ്ധപതിപ്പിക്കുകയും ചെയ്യു ണമെന്നുള്ള അഭിപ്രായത്തോടുകൂടി ഞാൻ ഈ ഉപക്ഷേപത്തെ ബല മായി പിൻതാങ്ങുന്നു.

MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI (*Kottayam*): മിസ്റ്റർ കൃഷ്ണൻ അവതരിപ്പിച്ച ഉപക്ഷേപത്തെ ഞാനും അനുകൂലിച്ചുകൊള്ളുന്നു. ഇപ്പോൾ വർഗ്ഗീ യവിദ്വേഷം വർദ്ധിച്ചുവരുന്നതിനു പ്രധാനകാരണം ഉദ്യോഗവഴക്കാണു്. അതായതു് എല്ലാവകുപ്പിൽപെട്ട ആളുകളും എല്ലാ പ്രധാന സ്ഥാനങ്ങളിലും ഇല്ലാ എന്നുള്ളതാണു്. ഈ കുറവുകളെ പരിഹരി യ്ക്കുവാൻ വേണ്ടി ഗവണ്മെൻറിൽ നിന്നും വേണ്ട സഹായ സ ഹകരണങ്ങളും ചെയ്തു കൊടുക്കേണ്ടതാണെന്നാണു് എൻെറ അഭിപ്രാ യം. അതോടു കൂടി എനിയ്ക്കു പറയുവാനുള്ളതു് കീഴുദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാർചെ യ്യുന്ന അഴിമതികളേയും, അക്രമങ്ങളേയും കണ്ടു പിടിച്ചു അന്വേഷണം നടത്തി അവക്കു ശരിയായ വിധത്തിലുള്ള ശിക്ഷകൾ നടുകുന്നില്ല എ ന്നുള്ളതാണു്. അസിസ്റ്റൻറു തഹശീൽദാർ എന്നൊരു ജോലി സൃഷ്ടിച്ച ശേഷം എൽ. ആർ. എം. നു ശേ-ാമത്തെ കുളിനെ അടിസ്ഥാനമാക്കി ഫൻ-ാംനമ്പരായി ഒരു സർക്കുലർ എഴുതി ഉണ്ടാക്കി ഗവണ്മെൻറിൻെറ അനുവാദമോ, അറിവോടുകൂടാതെ പരസ്യം ചെയ്തു മൂന്നു കൊല്ലത്തോളം ഉണ്ടായിരുന്ന ഈ അസിസ്റ്റൻറു തഹശീൽദാരന്മാരുടെ പ്രവൃത്തികൊണ്ടു നമുക്കു യാതൊരു ഗുണവും ഇല്ലെന്നുമാത്രമല്ല ദോഷം വരുത്തുകവിധം പല സംഗതികളും സംഭവിക്കയുണ്ടായി എന്നു എൽ. ആർ. എം. കമ്മറി റിപ്പോർട്ടു കൊണ്ടു തെളിയുന്നുണ്ടു. ഇങ്ങനെയുള്ള പല ദോഷങ്ങളും

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നഷ്ടങ്ങളും വരുത്തുന്ന ഒരു സർക്കാർ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥനെ സംബന്ധിച്ചു യാതൊരു നടപടിയും ഗവണ്മെൻറു നടത്തുന്നതായി ഞാൻ അറിയുന്നില്ല. ഇങ്ങനെയുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങളിൽ ഇവരുടെ വലയിൽ നിന്നും ജനങ്ങളെ വിടുവിച്ചു രക്ഷിച്ചില്ലെങ്കിൽ ജനങ്ങാം വളരെ ബുദ്ധിമുട്ടനുഭവിക്കേണ്ടിവരും. അസിസ്റ്റൻറു തഹശിൽദാർമാർ പരസ്യപ്പെടുത്തിയ സർക്കുലറനുസരിച്ചുള്ള സകല റിക്കാർഡുകളും ശരിപ്പെടുത്തിവയ്ക്കേണ്ടതായി വന്നിരിക്കുന്നു. ഈ സംഗതിയെ ഗവണ്മെൻറു പ്രത്യേകം ശ്രദ്ധിക്കണമെന്നു കൂടി പറഞ്ഞുകൊണ്ടു ഞാൻ മിസ്റ്റർ എൻ. ആർ. കൃഷ്ണൻറെ ഉപക്ഷേപത്തെ പിൻതാങ്ങിക്കൊള്ളുന്നു.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Returns of appointments made by the several heads of departments and offices are being received in the Secretariat once in every three months and they are subjected to very careful scrutiny at present. Instructions to the heads of departments are issued wherever found necessary. I will assure the members that the scrutiny will be persisted in always.

MR. N. R. KRISHNAN (*Nominated*): പൊതുജനങ്ങാം അറിയത്തക്കവണ്ണം ഇതു് പരസ്യപ്പെടുത്തുന്നതിൽ വിരോധമുണ്ടോ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): What sort of publishing is the member referring to?

MR. N. R. KRISHNAN (*Nominated*). ഒരോആണ്ടിലുംഓരോഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലും പുതനായിട്ടു എത്രപെരെ എടുത്തുഎന്നും ഓരോസമുദായത്തിൽനിന്നും എത്രപേരെഎടുത്തുഎന്നും ഉള്ളവിവരം പൊതുജനങ്ങാംക്കറിവുകിട്ടുന്നപക്ഷം ഇങ്ങനെ നിലവിളിക്കുന്നതിനു ഇടവരാതിരിക്കുമായിരുന്നു. അങ്ങിനെ വല്ലതും ചെയ്യാവുണ്ടോ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): At present they are practically published in answer to several interpellations which refer to almost all the departments.

MR. N. R. KRISHNAN (*Nominated*): ഈ നിയമനലിസ്റ്റ് എല്ലാ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരുടെയും അടുക്കൽനിന്നും വരുത്തി മൂന്നുമാസത്തിലൊരിക്കൽ പ്രസിദ്ധപ്പെടുത്തിയാൽ കൊള്ളാം.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): That will be considered.

MR. N. R. KRISHNAN (*Nominated*): ഗവണ്മെൻറിൽനിന്നും ഈ കാര്യത്തെപറ്റി വേണ്ടതുപോലെ പ്രവർത്തിക്കാമെന്നുപറയുന്നതുകൊണ്ടു ഉപക്ഷേപം പിൻവലിക്കുന്നു.

The motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

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Motions 146 to 148.

The following motions were not moved.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI:

146. To reduce the total allotment of Rs. 2,04,589 under Demand VII by Re. 1.

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI:

147. To reduce the total allotment of Rs. 2,04,589 under Demand VII by Rs. 5.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI:

148. To reduce the total allotment of Rs. 2,04,589 under Demand VII by Rs, 100.

Motion 149.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Sir, I beg to move the following motion:—

To reduce the total allotment of Rs. 2,04,589 underDemand VII by Rs. 100.

Sir, my object in placing this motion before the House is to make certain suggestions regarding the general administration of the State. Though the allotment under this Demand is only about 2 lakhs of rupees, it is the direction and control of the general administration that will govern the expenditure of more than 2 crores of rupees. My object is to draw the attention of the Government to the necessity for properly and efficiently administering the State to the satisfaction of the people. It will be admitted, Sir, that it is almost humanly impracticable for a single man to efficiently discharge his duties in administering the affairs of the State. We see that the Viceroy is assisted by an Executive Council, the Provincial Governors are assisted by Executive Councils and Ministers. Even in Mysore they have got an Executive Council. I shall, in this connection, quote with great respect a sentence from the address of the Head of the Administration.

"Circles though small are yet complete".

All the items of work in other countries are items of work in our State also. It is necessary therefore for the efficient administration of the State that the Head of the Administration should be assisted by proper officers who have at heart the welfare of the people and who are responsible to the Sovereign and partly responsible to this Council. I submit that though an act done by the Head of the Administration is prejudicial to the interests of the State that will not give so much misgiving to the people as the act of an officer who is far below in rank and who is not actually and directly responsible to the Sovereign and to this Council. It will be better for the efficient administration of the State to have a body constituted of some efficient men to help the Head of the Administration of the State.

MR. D. C. JOSEPH (*Agastisvaram*): Has the member in mind the additional expenditure that will have to be incurred?

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): If for the efficient administration of the country, additional expenditure is required I think the people will not grudge it.

The next point to which I wish to draw the attention of this Council is that the Head of the Administration is not actually able to go into the details of the working of all the departments because it could not be done by a single individual. The attention of the House has been drawn to this fact by the previous speakers,

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PRESIDENT: Did the previous speakers speak with inside knowledge of the actual work?

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): My friend Mr. Raman Pillai was referring to the fact that no action was taken nor was any report called for about the conduct of an officer who has done mischief to the people and the Government by issuing an unauthorised circular. Similarly, Sir, I learn that the report of the Survey on railways has not yet been submitted. I hope I could make mention of these things in this Council. If there is any truth in my statement Government should act upon it. Otherwise no action need be taken on what I say.

I wish to impress upon the House that in almost all these things our position is rather delicate. We are responsible to the people who elected us. For example, I represent a constituency containing more than two hundred and seventy thousand people and they will be thinking that I will be able to achieve much by coming to this Council. When I come here and put forward a proposition before this House, I fear that some members on the other side of the House think that I have come here to wage war with them and all of them muster together to defeat my object. We are not in a position to clearly understand the difficulties of the official members nor do they realise our difficulties.

It was the object of the founder of this institution that the administration of the State should be carried on by the harmonious working of the official and non-official members of this Council. We must be given greater access into the working of the administration and we must be allowed to understand the difficulties which are now experienced by the official members in the practical working of the departments. I do not think that they should delegate all their functions to us. At least as regards the administration in general we should be given a chance of ascertaining the policy which the Government is likely to pursue and our opinion on that matter must be taken before coming to a conclusion. That is a very important matter which I wanted to bring to the notice of this Council. A motion for the appointment of committees to advise the separate departments of Government was put forward by my friend Mr. Madhava Variar in the first Council and as a first step Government appointed the Finance Committee. I hope that that step which was taken by the Government will be advanced further and that we will be given an opportunity to look into the administration of the State so that unnecessary waste of time in this Council may not be caused in meaninglessly criticising the policy of the Government. What I have to submit is that the official members will remember that we also have a duty to discharge in helping the administration of the State. Whatever views we give should not be taken as being put forward simply to obstruct the administration. We are responsible to a larger body and we have therefore to be careful in our actions. Viewing the matter in this light, I hope the administration of the State will be carried on according to the wishes of this House.

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MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : I do not think I have got to say anything beyond saying that the Government note all that the member has stated.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : May I know if he is prepared at least to take into consideration the suggestions made by me ?

PRESIDENT : Government will certainly consider your pious hopes and earnest exhortations.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : I withdraw the motion.

PRESIDENT : Does the House permit the motion to be withdrawn?

The motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

Motion 150.

The following motion was not moved :—

MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI :

To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,04,589 under Demand VII by Rs. 100.

PRESIDENT : I take it that the House now grants the whole Demand—General Administration- Heads other than Account Office- Rs. 2,04,589 less Rs. 5 omitted on account of motion No. 141 moved by Mr. Kunjitomman, Government having accepted the motion.

The motion was carried and the grant was made.

PRESIDENT : We will now adjourn and re-assemble at half past eleven to-morrow.

The House rose at 5·4 P. M. to meet again at 11·30 the next day.

P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI,
Secretary to the Legislative Council.

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